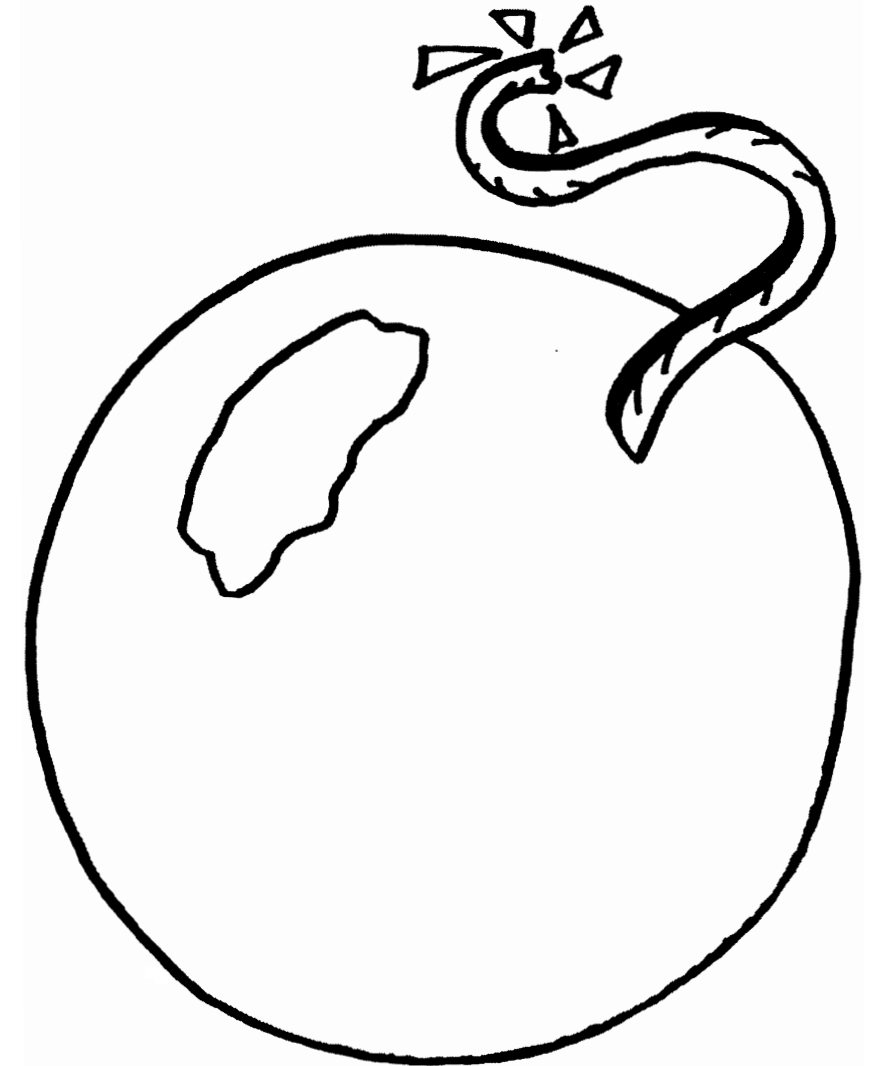


**If you have to become a monster
What kind of monster will it be?**



(circle one)

A Child's Guide to Nihilism



A Coloring and Activity Book

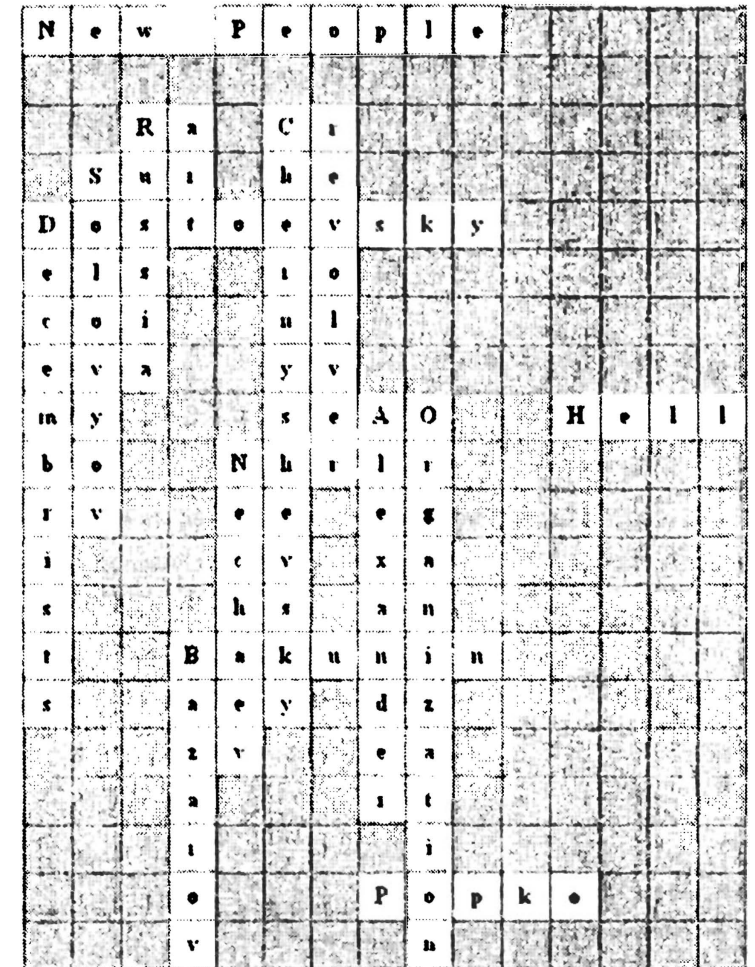
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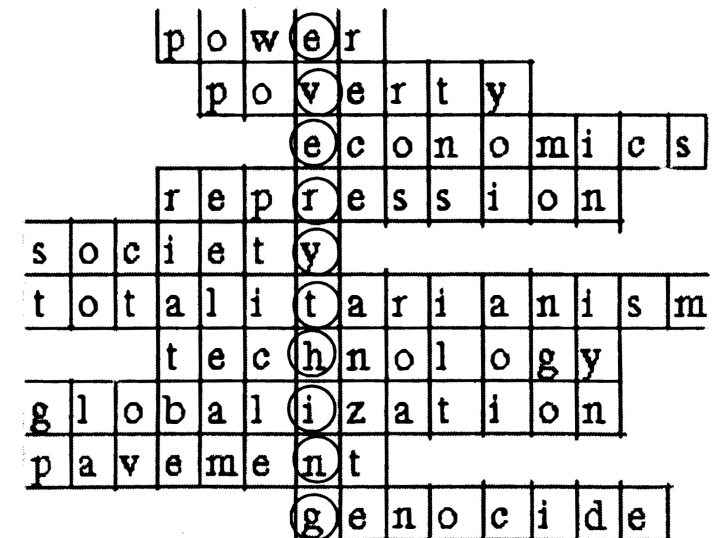
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Crossword PUZZLE

Answer Guide (there are still no answers)



What is
wrong with
this world?



word search

Name
Matching
Exercise

Answer Guide (but there are no answers)

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- American president McKinley - Leon Czolgosz
- Russian Czar Alexander II - Ignatei Grinevitsky
- Carnegie Steel Company Manager Henry Frick - Alexander Berkman
- French president Marie François Sadi Carnot - Italian Anarchist Sante Jeronimo Caserio.
- Empress Elizabeth of Austria - Luigi Leccheni
- King Umberto I of Italy - Gaetano Bresci
- King Alexander of Serbia - Captain Dragutin Dimitrijevic and a group of junior officers
- Russian interior minister von Plehve – Combat Organization of the Socialist Revolutionary party
- Grand Duke Sergei of Russia - Combat Organization of the Socialist Revolutionary party
- King Carlos of Portugal - Alfredo Costa
- Prince Ito of Japan - An Jung-Geun
- Russian prime minister Stolypin - Mordko Hershovich Bogrov
- King George of Greece- Alexander Schinas

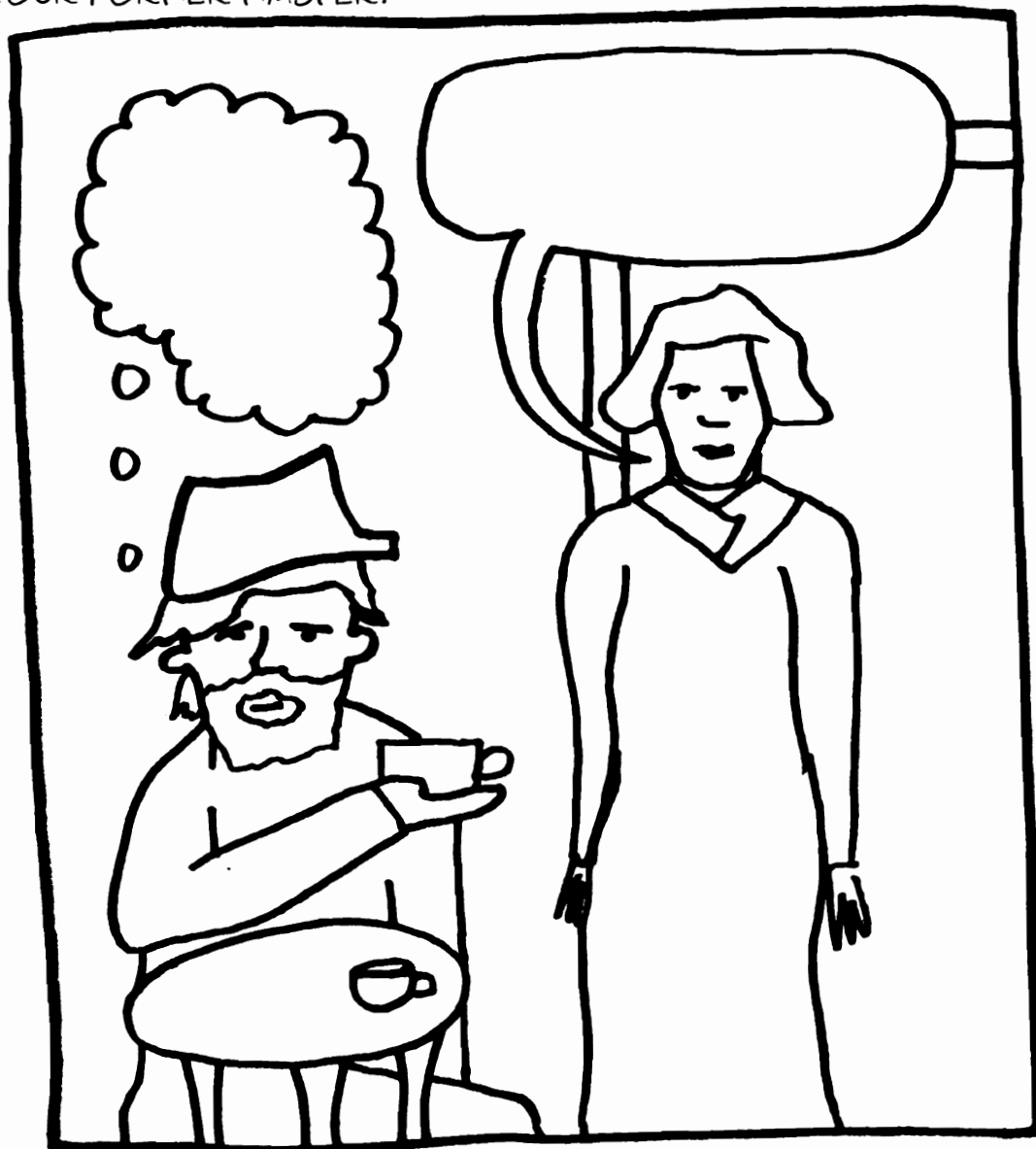
NIHILISM WAS A SOCIAL MOVEMENT IN THE 1860'S. IT HAPPENED IN CZARIST RUSSIA IN RESPONSE TO A VERY REPRESSIVE REGIME. RUSSIA DID NOT HAVE MANY OF THE FREEDOMS THAT WE TAKE FOR GRANTED TODAY.

THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION WERE PEASANTS WHO WORKED THE LAND. THEY WERE ESSENTIALLY SLAVES SUBJECT TO THE WHIMS OF THE ARISTOCRATIC LAND OWNERS UPON WHOSE LAND THEY WORKED. THEY WERE FREED FROM SLAVERY IN 1861 BUT FORCED TO PAY HIGH MORTGAGE FOR THE LAND THEY ALREADY WORKED.



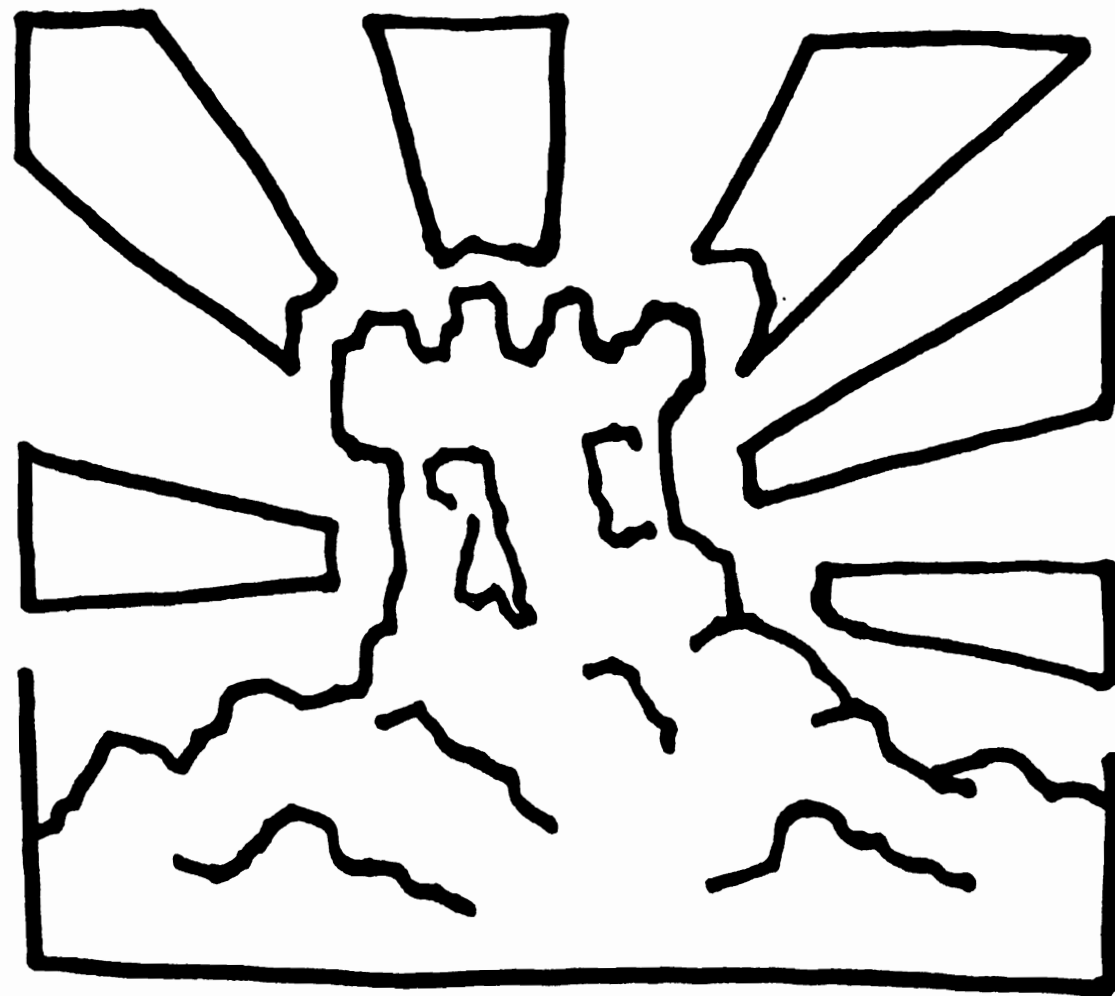
THE CZAR AND THE EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH CREATED A REPRESSIVE ENVIRONMENT THAT EXTENDED BEYOND THE FIELDS. THE CITIES AND UNIVERSITIES BECAME BREEDING GROUNDS OF SEVERE REJECTION OF BOTH OF THESE POLES OF THE EXISTING ORDER. THIS IDEA, THAT THE OLD REGIME MUST BE DESTROYED BEFORE A NEW WORLD CAN BE CREATED, IS CALLED NIHILISM.

PEASANT LIFE WAS VERY HARD. THERE WAS NO TEA TO FILL A CUP. FREEDOM CAME AT THE PRICE OF MAKING PAYMENTS TO YOUR FORMER MASTER.

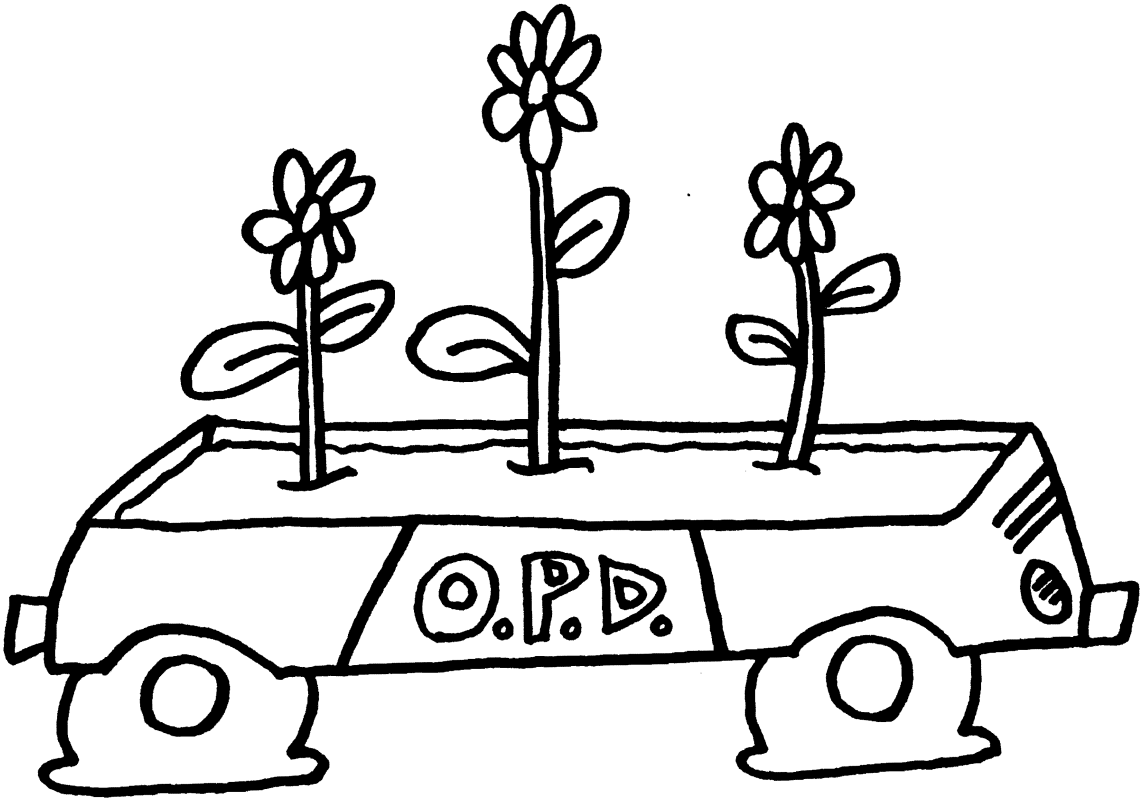


WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IF YOU HAD NOTHING TO DRINK AND YOUR RENT WAS COMING DUE?

WE IMAGINE A FUTURE WHERE THE ASHES OF THIS WORLD BECOME THE CASTLES OF TOMORROW.



CAN WE IMAGINE A WORLD WHERE THE MACHINES THAT CONTAIN US
BECOME INSTEAD THE CONTAINERS OF FUTURE LIFE?



WORD
SEARCH

Find words about
the daily life of
Russian Peasants

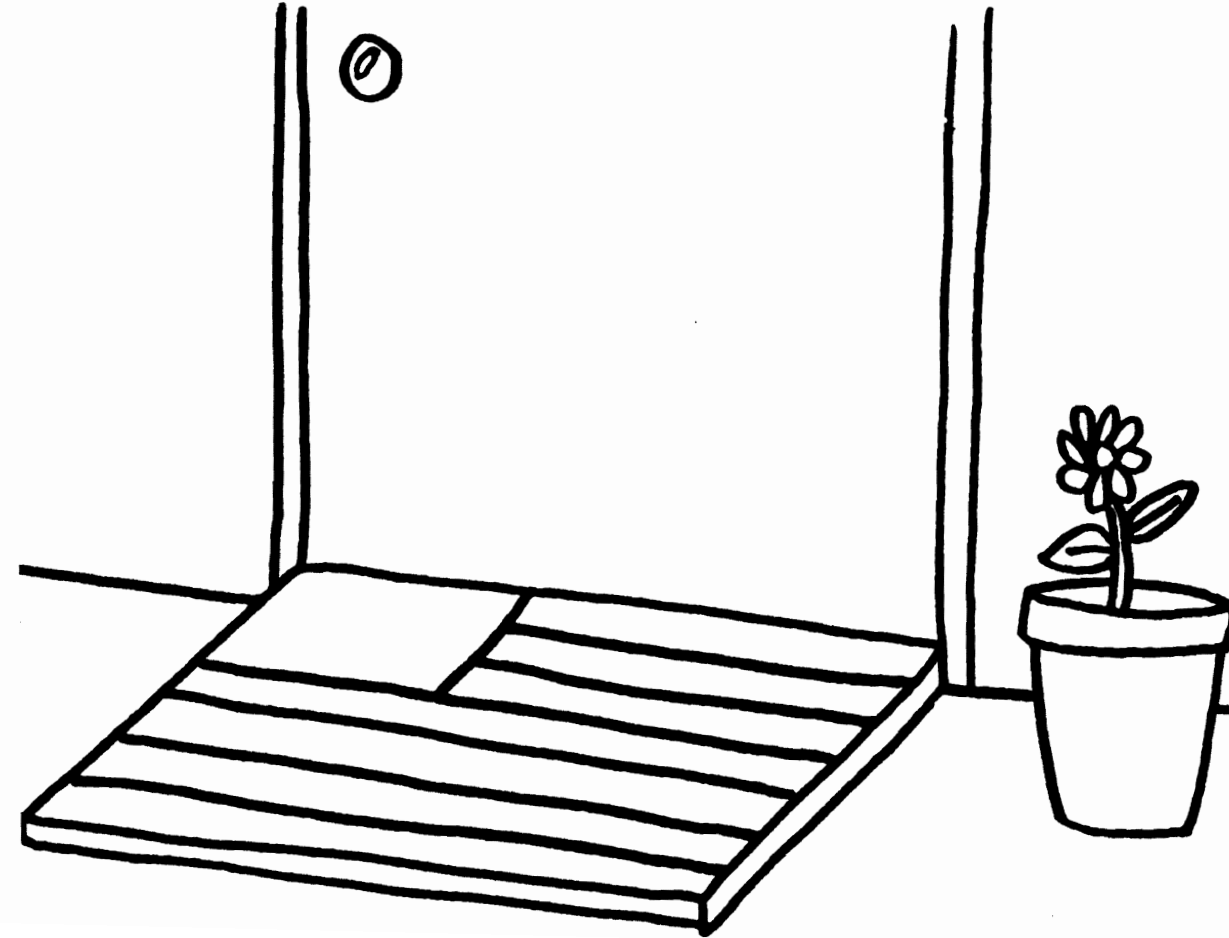
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THE TRADITIONAL
CONCEPTION OF A NIHILIST
IS AS A BOMB THROWING
FANATIC.

WHILE THE DESTRUCTION
OF THIS WORLD MAY
INVOLVE BOMBS, MOST
NIHILISTS DO NOT ARM
THEMSELVES WITH AS MANY
BOMBS AS IDEAS.

SHOULD WE DREAM OF A WORLD WHERE WE USE FLAGS AS
DOORMATS AND ONLY RAISE OUR FRIENDS AND OUR VOICES?



WHAT COLOR WOULD YOU PAINT A BOMB THAT YOU WOULD CARRY?

CAN WE CHANGE THE WORLD?

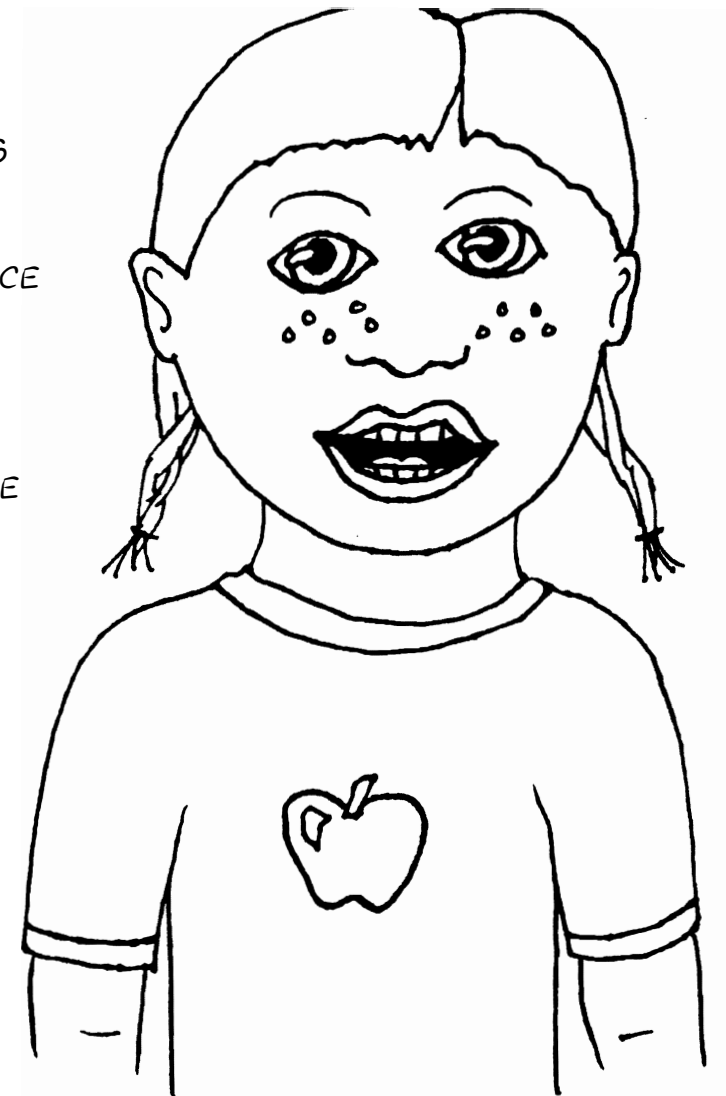
EVERYTHING CHANGES. IF YOU LISTEN TO POLITICIANS AND GENERALS YOU MIGHT BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE REACHED THE END OF HISTORY, THAT WE ARE DONE.

BUT WE HAVE BARELY BEGUN. WITH OUR FRIENDS ENTROPY, WILL AND PATIENCE WE WILL SEE THE END OF POLITICIANS AND GENERALS. WE WILL TELL OUR HISTORIES AROUND THE FIRES THAT DESTROY THEIR SOCIAL ORDER.

ONCE THIS CHAPTER HAS ENDED DO WE DARE DREAM OF THE NEXT?

IN REALITY YOUR
TYPICAL NIHILIST LOOKS
JUST LIKE YOU AND ME.

PUTTING INTO PRACTICE
THE IDEA THAT A NEW
WORLD WILL CAN ONLY
PROCEED UPON THE
DESTRUCTION OF THIS
ONE DOES NOT REQUIRE
A DRESS-CODE!



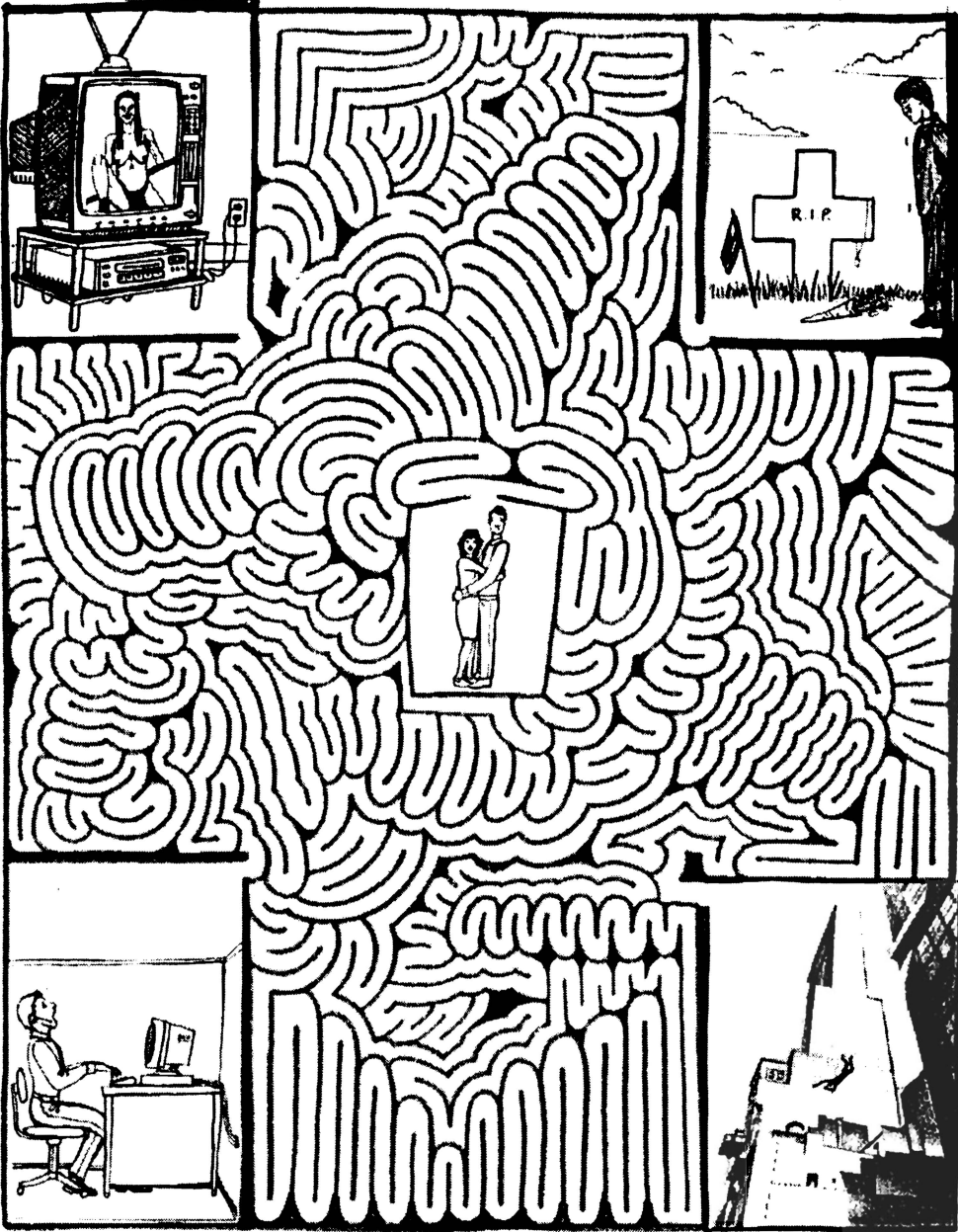
WHATS THE BEST COLOR TO WEAR FOR DESTRUCTION?

THERE WERE MANY INFLUENCES ON NIHILISM FROM THE WEST, DARWIN, FOURIER, AND SAINT-SIMON AMONG THEM. AN ÉMIGRÉ RUSSIAN WHO WAS INFLUENTIAL WAS MIKHAIL BAKUNIN, ESPECIALLY HIS QUOTE "THE PASSION FOR DESTRUCTION IS A CREATIVE PASSION, TOO!"



THIS MAN SURE HAS UNUSUAL HAIR. WHAT COLOR SHOULD HE WEAR IT?

ARE OUR PARENTS CAPABLE OF UNDERSTANDING WHAT WE NEED TO BECOME?
WILL THEY ONLY LOOK DOWN THE PATHS THAT THEY HAVE TRAVELLED AND
WANTED US TO FOLLOW?



BECAUSE THEY WILL NOT FIND US THERE

ARE WE READY TO BECOME MONSTERS IF
THAT IS WHAT IS REQUIRED?

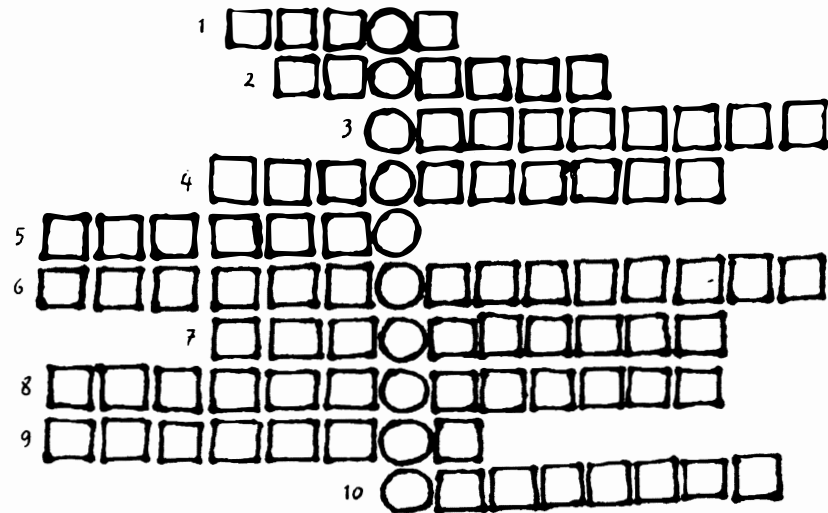


TIMELINE - EVENTS OF NOTE IN NIHILISM

BAKUNIN'S 'REACTION IN GERMANY' PUBLISHED	1842	
	1855	ALEXANDER II ASSUMED THE THRONE
THE EMANCIPATION OF THE PEASANTS	1861	
CHERNYSHEVSKY'S 'WHAT IS TO BE DONE' PUBLISHED	1862	'FATHERS AND SONS' BY TURGENEV
	1863	COINED THE TERM NIHILIST
	1866	FAILED ATTEMPT ON THE CZAR'S LIFE
'CATECHISM OF THE REVOLUTION' PUBLISHED	1869	
	1876	THE SECRET SOCIETY LAND AND FREEDOM WAS FORMED
CHIGRIN AFFAIR	1877	VERA ZASULICH SHOTS
LAND AND FREEDOM SPLITS INTO PEOPLE'S WILL AND BLACK REPARTITION	1878	GENERAL TREPOV, POLICE CHIEF OF ST. PETERSBURG
	1879	
NECHAEV FOUND DEAD IN HIS CELL	1881	THE CZAR ALEXANDER II
	1882	IS ASSASSINATED

THE ERA OF PROPAGANDA BY THE DEED BEGINS

What is wrong with this world?



1. _____ tools can be used to destroy
2. The _____ of student life
3. Marxist _____ can put you to sleep
4. Sexual _____ can block your orgone
5. If we stop blaming everything on _____ we only have ourselves
6. _____ is a big word that means a regime of absolute political authority
7. _____ is more than blinking lights and beeping speakers
8. The anti-_____ movement sparked anarchist representation in the media
9. If they have their way the world will be covered in _____
10. The logical conclusion of war is _____
- 11 (vertical top to bottom): What is wrong with this world?

VERA FIGNER
BECAME THE
GRAND OLD
LADY OF
RUSSIAN
NIHILISM AS THE
ONLY MEMBER
OF THE
PEOPLE'S WILL
(THE NIHILIST
ORGANIZATION
THAT
ASSASSINATED
THE CZAR
ALEXANDER
II) TO REMAIN
ACTIVE
AFTER 1881.
SHE SURVIVED
22 YEARS
IN PRISON,
3 RUSSIAN
REVOLUTIONS,
AND 2 WORLD
WARS.



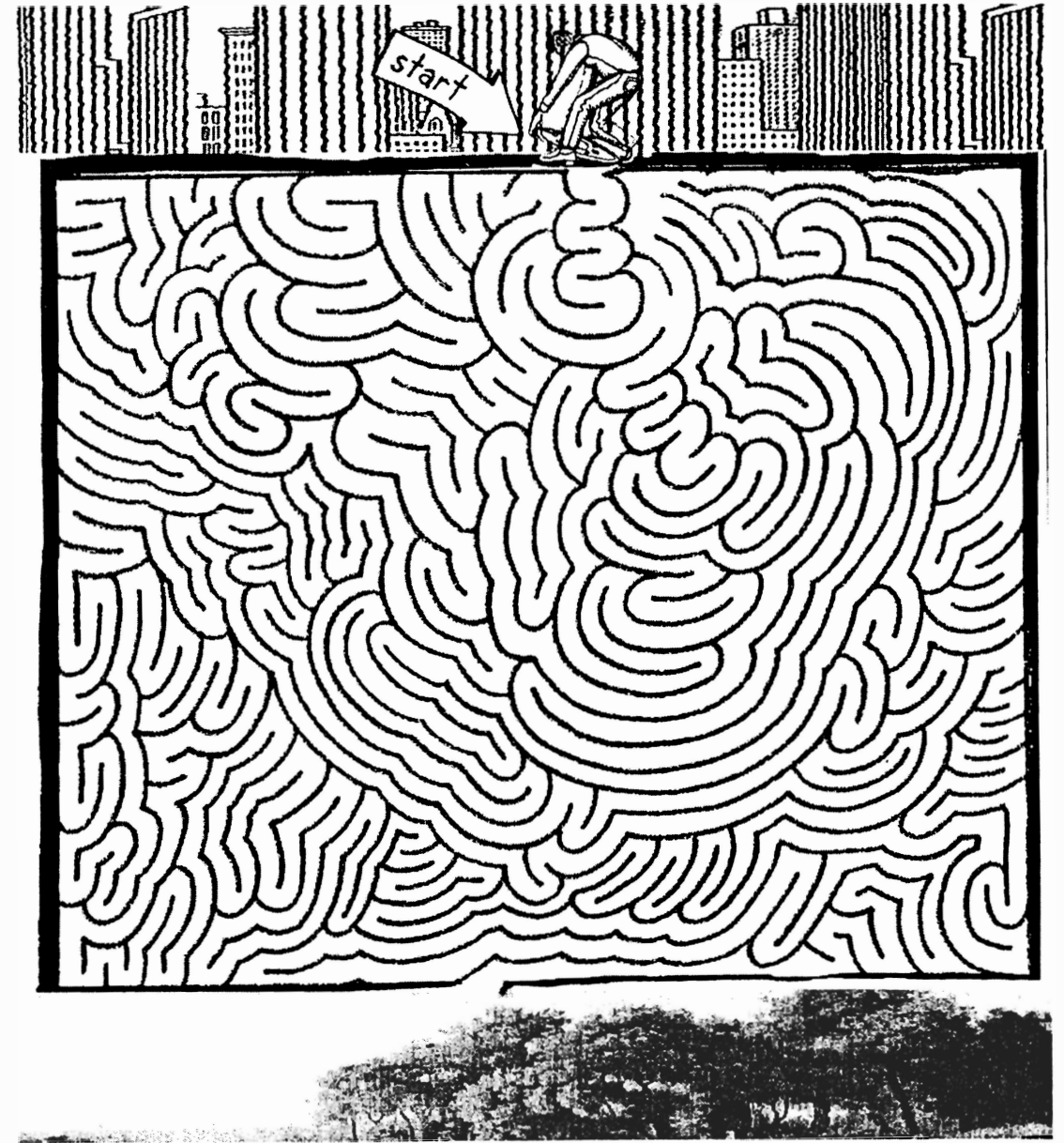
IF YOU GROW OLD, WHAT WILL YOU HOPE TO DO?

THE MOST INFAMOUS RUSSIAN NIHILIST WAS NAMED SERGEI NECHAEV. HE WROTE THE CATECHISM OF THE REVOLUTIONIST. "(THE REVOLUTIONIST)... HAS NO PRIVATE INTERESTS, NO AFFAIRS, SENTIMENTS, TIES, PROPERTY NOR EVEN A NAME OF HIS OWN... HEART AND SOUL, NOT MERELY BY WORD BUT BY DEED, HE HAS SEVERED EVERY LINK WITH THE SOCIAL ORDER AND WITH THE ENTIRE CIVILIZED WORLD; WITH THE LAWS, GOOD MANNERS,

CONVENTIONS, AND MORALITY OF THAT WORLD."



WHAT A STERN MAN. WHAT COULD MAKE HIM HAPPY?



IS THERE ANY WAY TO GET FROM THIS WORLD TO THE NEXT?

NIHILISM IS CLOSELY RELATED TO ANARCHISM. MANY OF THE ACTIONS ADVOCATED BY THE NIHILIST IDEA WERE PUT INTO PRACTICE BY ANARCHISTS THROUGHOUT EUROPE. A FAMOUS ANARCHIST WHO ATTACKED JUDGES, THE POLICE, AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IMAGE OF THE ANARCHIST BOMB-

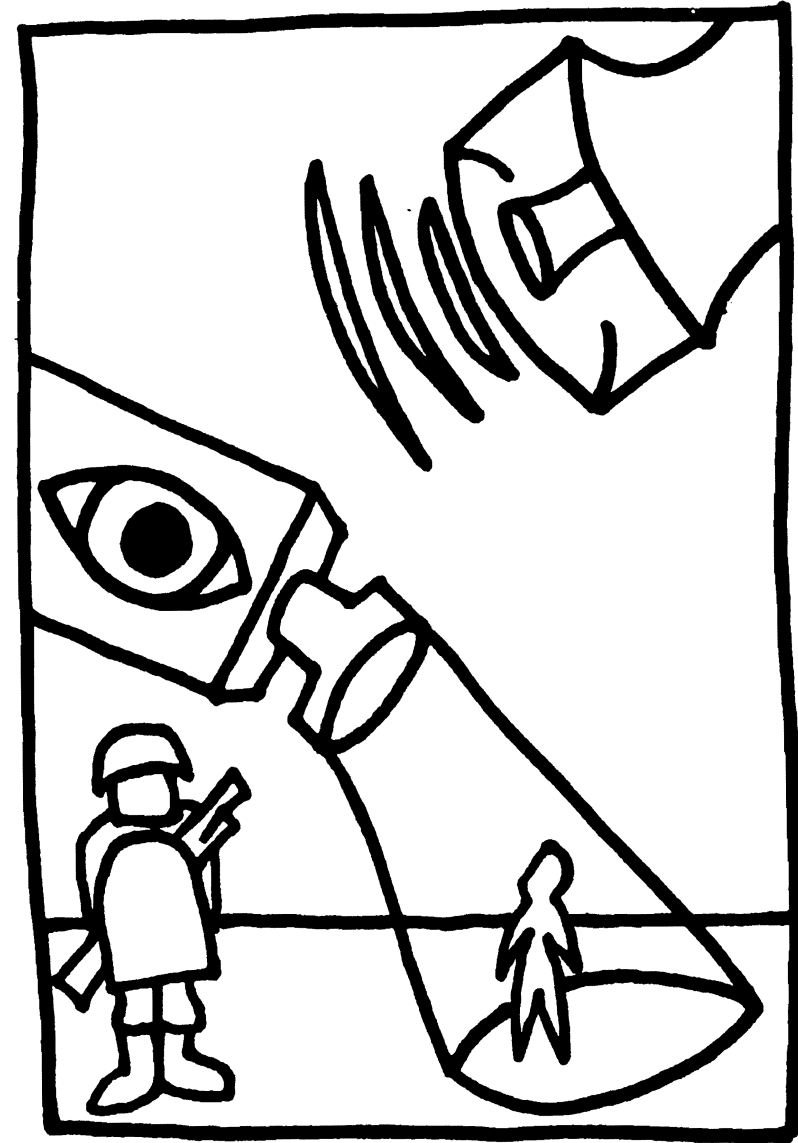
THROWER IS FRAN OIS KOENINGSTEIN OR RAVACHOL.

"IN THIS TIME OF CYNICISM AND IRONY, A SAINT IS BORN TO US."

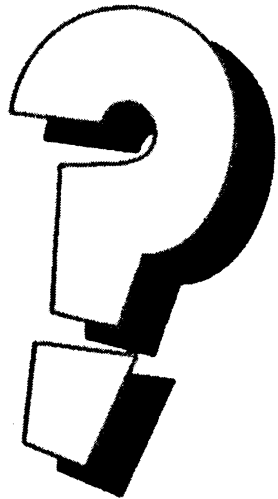


WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE REMEMBERED FOR?

IS IT ALREADY TOO LATE?



DO WE REALIZE THAT WE ARE ALL IN THE SAME SITUATION?



HAVE YOU EVER FAILED TO REACH FOR SOMETHING ALONE ONLY TO FIND THAT
YOU COULD REACH IT EASILY WITH THE HELP OF A FRIEND?

Name Matching Exercise

Match the assassins to their target

(DRAW A LINE)

American President
William McKinley

Russian Czar
Alexander II

Carnegie Steel Co. Manager
Henry Frick

French President
Marie François Sadi Carnot

Empress Elizabeth of Austria

King Umberto I of Italy

King Alexander of Serbia

Russian Interior Minister
Vyacheslav von Plehve

Grand Duke Sergei of Russia

King Carlos of Portugal

Prince Ito of Japan

Russian Prime Minister
Peter Stolypin

King George of Greece

Captain Dragutin Dimitrijevic
and a group of junior officers

The Combat Organization of
the Socialist Revolutionary Party

Italian anarchist
Sante Jeronimo Caserio

Alexander Schinas

An Jung-geun

Leon Czolgosz

Gaetano Bresci

Anarchist Luigi Leccheni

Alexander Berkman

Ignatei Grinevitsky

Boris Savinkov

Alfredo Costa

Mordko Hershovich Bogrov

IF I WORK HARDER WILL I CREATE THE WORLD OF MY DREAMS?



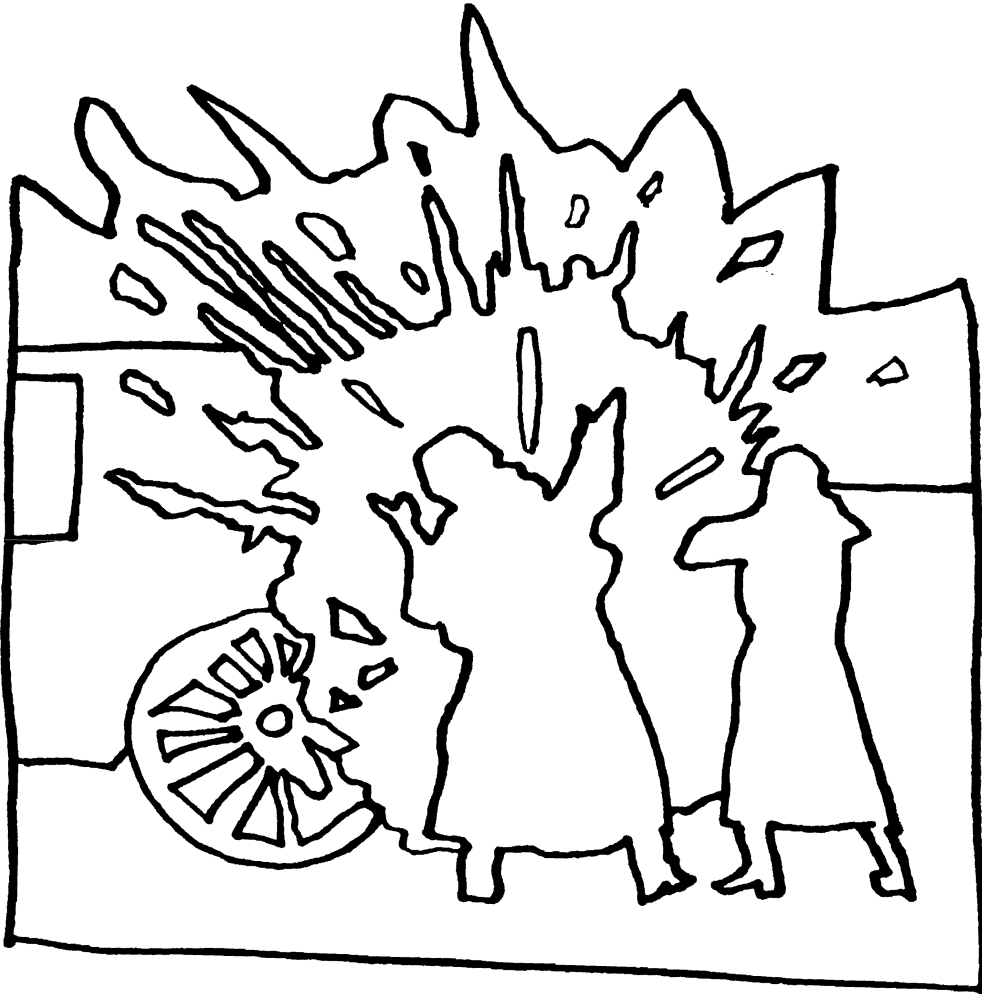
CAN YOU THINK OF ANY JOBS YOU SEE PEOPLE DO THAT SEEM SILLY?

THE CZAR'S DEATH BROUGHT ABOUT BRUTAL POLITICAL REPRESSION AND PLANTED THE SEED FOR ANOTHER GENERATION OF REVOLUTIONARIES TO GROW



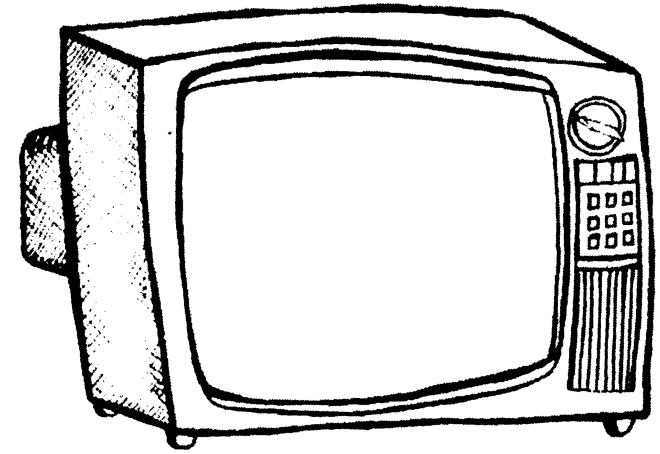
DO YOU THINK REPRESSION ELIMINATES DIFFERENCES OF OPINION?

FOUR NIHILISTS LAUNCHED BOMBS INTO THE CARRIAGE OF THE
CZAR ALEXANDER II.



SHOULD THIS PICTURE LOOK LIKE FIREWORKS OR A SUNRISE?

ARE THERE HURDLES AND BARRIERS PLACED IN FRONT OF ME?



DRAW THE PLACE YOU THINK TELEVISION SHOULD LIVE?
(THE OCEAN FLOOR, A JUNKYARD, A CEMETARY)

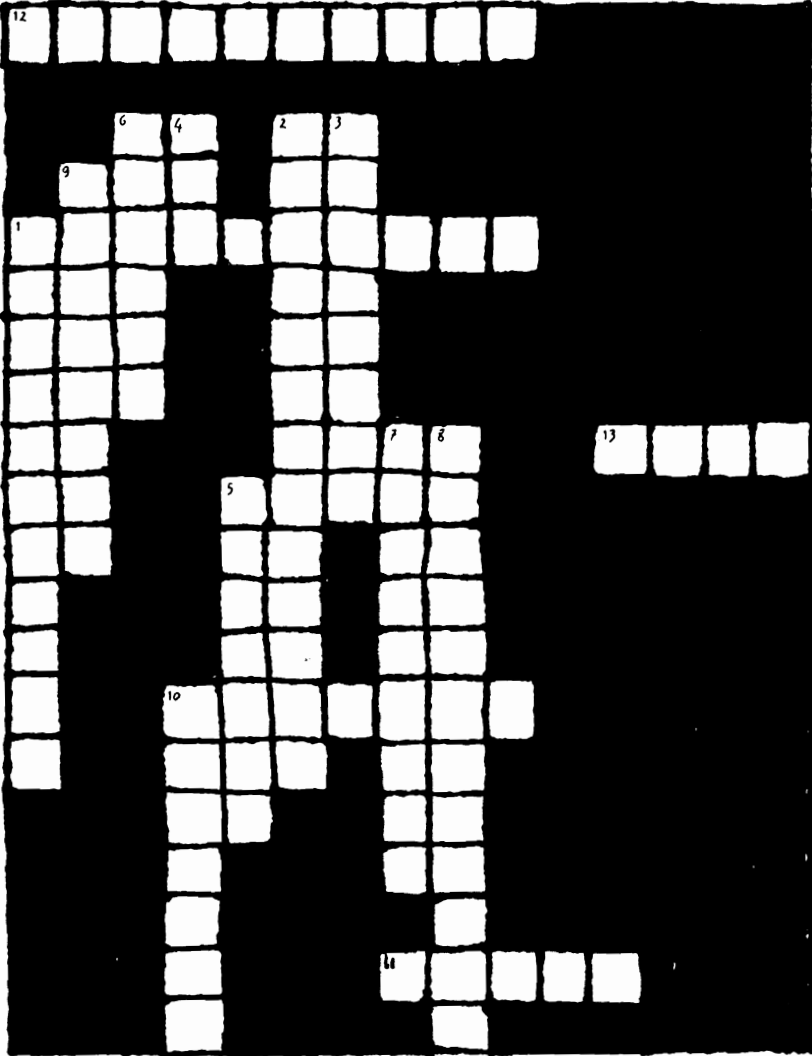
Nihilist History Crossword

Down

1. Reformers who were repressed by the Tsar
2. Author of What is to be Done?
3. Used to demonstrate the need for marksman-ship classes
4. Should be destroyed
5. Protege of Bakunin
6. Home of the 19th century nihilist movement
7. Died by nihilist hands
8. Created boy's school in Moscow to train revolutionaries
9. Attempted to shoot the Tsar. Missed 5 times.
10. Character in Fathers and Sons who inspired many

Across

1. Christian author who popularized nihilists
10. The passion for destruction is a creative passion, too!
11. Stabbed a captain of the gendarmerie in Kiev
12. What nihilists called themselves (2 words - include space in puzzle)
13. Secret organization whose goals were political



IF THE HISTORY OF THE
NIHILIST MOVEMENT TEACHES
US ANYTHING IT IS THAT
BOMBS ALONE WILL NOT
DESTROY THE EXISTING
ORDER. WE MUST ALSO
ASK THE RIGHT QUESTIONS
AND BE PREPARED FOR
UNCOMFORTABLE ANSWERS.

WHAT WOULD YOU WRITE ON THE BLANK SLATE OF TOMORROW?